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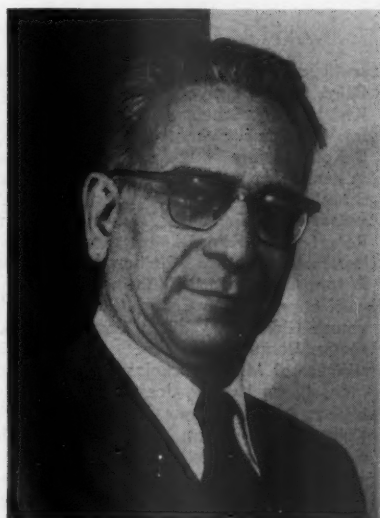


**Albert Axelrod**

#### OLYMPIC MEDALIST

**First American to win an individual Olympic Medal since 1932.**

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**Miguel de Capriles**

#### PRESIDENT-ELECT, F.I.E.

**First non-European to hold this high office.**

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## PERSONALS

Two of California's fencing stars were married in August. . . . Our best wishes to Fred and Bonnie (de Rosier) Linkmeyer.

Alfred Rubin married Susanne Frowein on September 2, 1960 in Graz, Austria.

## METROPOLITAN JR. OLYMPIC TRAINING PROGRAM

by Frank De Franco

Archie Ignatow has been appointed Metropolitan Chairman of the Junior Olympic Fencing Committee and the local training program is off to a good start.

The Fencers Club, New York A.C., Salle Santelli and some of the local colleges have agreed to participate in the program. A Scholarship Program for the most promising High School fencers has been inaugurated. Applications for scholarships may be obtained by writing to Mr. Ignatow at 4 Birch Lane, Valley Stream, L. I., N. Y. Applicants are to attend a "Fencerama" and on the basis of record and performance the selection committee, consisting of the Fencing Masters of participating clubs and colleges, will select the twenty boys with best potential. These boys will be given free lessons and will be permitted to practice at the assigned club or college.

A second phase of the Junior Olympic program is the formation of a Coaches Conference for High School coaches. This Conference will be addressed by the coaches of the participating clubs and colleges.

## GEORGE J. PILLER

One of the great fencers of this century, and the most respected fencing master since Italo Santelli, died of cancer on September 6, 1960 in San Francisco.

George Piller's record as a competitor is second only to his achievements as a teacher. He is the only man ever to win the World Sabre Championship three years in a row — 1930, 1931 and 1932 (the 1932 title was won at the Olympics in Los Angeles). In addition to winning several Hungarian sabre titles, he was foil champion of Hungary in 1929, 1930 and 1931. As captain of the victorious 1932 Hungarian Olympic Team he made many lasting friendships in this country. He was head of the Hungarian Fencing League from 1931 to 1947. The story of his adoption of the U.S. as his home rather than return to Hungary after the collapse of the 1956 Revolution was reported in our December 1959 issue.

As a teacher he developed several World and Olympic Champions and was Head Coach of the eminently successful Hungarian teams from 1951 through 1956. His pupils have won the U.S. Individual Sabre Championship every year since his arrival: 1957 and 1958, Daniel Magay; 1959, Tomas Orley; 1960, Eugene Hamori. But all these successes are overshadowed by the deep affection and respect he inspired in all fencers who knew him. His complete mastery of the fencing master's technique was combined with the fine human qualities of generosity, kindness, candor and integrity.

This past summer he went to Germany in a last desperate effort to arrest his dreadful ailment. Some thought he wished to spend his last days near his native land. They didn't know that Mr. Piller's professed love of the U.S. was as genuine and sincere as the man himself. When European specialists could offer no help he returned to his adopted land.

The world mourns the loss of a great fencing master; American fencing mourns the loss of a beloved friend and extends condolences to his surviving widow and daughter.

J. R. de C.



## National Rankings - 1960-61

### Foil

1. Albert Axelrod, Salle Santelli
2. Joseph Paletta, U.S. Navy
3. Harold Goldsmith, Fencers Club
4. Eugene Glazer, N.Y.U.
5. Herbert Cohn, N.Y.U.
6. Martin Davis, Salle Santelli
7. Dr. Daniel Bukantz, Fencers Club
8. Lawrence Silverman, Salle Calvert
9. (Byron Krieger, Salle De Tuscan  
(Allan Kwartler, Salle Santelli)

### Epee

1. David Micahnik, Salle Csiszar
2. Ralph Spinella, New York AC
3. James Margolis, U.S. Navy
4. Robert Beck, Pentathlon
5. William Andre, Unattached
6. Fred Duncan, N.Y.U.
7. Jerry Halpern, N.Y.U.
8. Paul Levy, Salle Csiszar
9. (John Mooney, New York AC  
(Richard Pew, Unattached)

### Women

1. Janice Romary, Unattached
2. Evelyn Terhune, Salle Santelli
3. Harriet King, Salle Lucia
4. Julia Schoeck, Fencers Club
5. Maxine Mitchell, Los Angeles AC
6. Tommy Angell, Halberstadt SF
7. Louise Dyer, Salle Csiszar
8. Judy Goodrich, Michigan State
9. (Denise O'Connor, Salle Santelli  
(Vivienne Sokol, Fencers Club)

### Sabre

1. Eugene Hamori, Salle Csiszar
2. Tomas Orley, Pannonia AC
3. Michael Dasaro, N.Y.U.
4. George Worth, Salle Santelli
5. Dr. Tibor Nyilas, New York AC
6. Chaba Pallaghy, New York AC
7. Richard Dyer, Salle Csiszar
8. Allan Kwartler, Salle Santelli
9. (Gerard Biagini, Pannonia AC  
(Robert Blum, Salle Santelli  
(Alex Orban, Pannonia AC)

### LEO SOBEL

In our report on the Nationals we failed to mention the very successful Gala Night and the tremendous work done by our Treasurer, Leo Sobel. Leo's efforts for the success of AFLA affairs through all these years have been made so quietly and efficiently that too many of us take them for granted.

## M. A. de CAPRILES ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE F.I.E.



An unexpected and great honor came to the United States when the fencing world entrusted the administration of the Federation Internationale d'Esime to Miguel A. de Capriles for the four-year period January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1964.

Mr. de Capriles was elected over Charles Debeur of Belgium and Charles de Beaumont of Great Britain, at the Extraordinary Congress of the F.I.E. in Rome on August 28, 1960. This is the first time that the Presidency of the F.I.E. has gone to a non-European.

For Miguel de Capriles, his election to the highest administrative office in the fencing world caps a career that includes just about every major position available to an American. He is currently the President of the Pan-American Fencing Confederation, served as President of the A.F.L.A. from 1949 to 1953, and only last January was elected to a six-year term as Chairman of the N.C.A.A. Fencing Rules Committee, the top ruling body for college fencing in the United States. He is a Director of the U.S. Olympic Association for the 1957-61 term and has been a member of the U.S. Olympic Fencing Committee since 1933. He has served on the F.I.E. Commissions on Rules and on Statutes and was a member of the Directorie Technique for the 1958 World Championships and the 1960 Olympic Games. He presided at the finals of the Olympic Championships in 1936 (the first American to do so) and again in 1952.

"Mike" was national epee champion in 1931 and 1944 and three-weapon champion five times between 1933 and 1947. An Olympic competitor in 1932, 1936 and 1948, he received two third-place team medals, one for epee in 1932 and another for sabre in 1948. He captained the highly successful 1951 Pan American Team in Buenos Aires, fencing in all three weapons, and was non-competing Captain of the 1952 Olympic Team.

Mr. de Capriles brings to his new office the prestige of a recognized leader in his chosen profession. He is a Professor of Law and Associate Dean of the New York University School of Law, President of the American Association for Comparative Law, and Treasurer of the Institute of Judicial Administration.

### The F.I.E. Bureau

The President must name a "Bureau" to assist him in the administration of the F.I.E. Mr. de Capriles has chosen the following men:

**Deputy President,** Jose R. de Capriles. Editor and co-founder of American Fencing and former President of the A.F.L.A., he served as coordinator of the Organizing Committee and member of the Directorie Technique for the 1958 World Championships. He presided at the Olympic finals of 1952 and 1956. He has won national championships in foil and epee (twice) as well as the three-weapon title. He was an Olympic competitor in epee in 1936 and 1948, and in both epee and sabre in 1952. He was Captain and competitor in all three weapons for the 1955 Pan American Team and non-competing Captain of the 1956 Olympic Team.

A lawyer by profession, he is Vice President and General Counsel of the Lehigh Valley Railroad and is a member of the Steering and Executive Committees of the New York Association of Railroads and the Associated Railroads of New Jersey as well as a member of the Law Committee of the American Association of Railroads.

**Secretary-General,** Gen. John V. Grombach. A graduate of West Point, class '23, General Grombach is the current Foreign Secretary of the A.F.L.A. He was a famous amateur boxer before taking up fencing in the 1920's and has for many years been active in the administration of U.S. Modern Pentathlon teams. Several times a medalist in national epee competitions, he won the Masters' Epee Tournament in 1950 and is still an active competitor. He has represented the U.S. in several World Fencing Championships.

General Grombach is the author of many books on sports, the most recent of which are "Saga of Sock" and "Olympic Cavalcade of Sports." Prior to 1942 he was President of several companies creating, producing and recording radio programs. Military duty in World War II terminated this activity and since the end of the War he has been a general business and public relations consultant for many corporations with international interests. He is President of the Universal Service Corporation and Treasurer of Industrial Reports, Inc.



## F.I.E. BUREAU (continued)

**Treasurer,** Leo G. Nunes. Mr. Nunes is recognized as the greatest three-weapon fencer in American history. He was a competitor in epee in the Inter-Allied Games of 1919 as a member of the Italian fencing team but his business brought him to the United States around that time and he has been with us ever since. He became a U.S. citizen many years ago and has served the A.F.L.A. in a great many capacities including that of Vice President. The list of U.S. championships won by him is too long to present here. Suffice it to say that for a generation he was considered the man to beat by the specialists in each of the three weapons. He is currently Chairman of the Junior Olympic Program designed to develop our American youth in fencing.

Mr. Nunes is President of the Leghorn Trading Company and his business interests make him a frequent traveler to Europe.



## North Atlantic Officers

The North Atlantic Section will have the following officers for the 1960-61 season:

**Chairman:** Roger F. Jones, 431 Northcroft Rd., Springfield, Pa.

**Secretary:** Carol Hespeneide, 7278-D Radbourne Rd., Upper Darby, Pa.

**Bout Committee Chairman:** Paul Levy, Law School Dorm, U of P, Philadelphia 4.



## Ontario F.A.

The officers of the Ontario Fencing Association for this season are:

**President:** J. H. W. Bradfield, 36 Crescentwood Rd., Toronto 13.

**Vice Presidents:** O. A. Reynolds, H. K. Widmaier, Pacita Dumenieux.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Attention Equipment Manufacturers

"May I add a few comments to the recent banana plug vs. amphenol controversy?"

At this point the idea of changing back to the amphenol connector seems a little pointless; but it doesn't mean that the banana plug is perfect either. My suggestions follow:

1. The male banana plug should be precision made. Either the pins are too large or are improperly set in the plastic, or the holes in the female connector are too small: too often real force is necessary to join or separate them, causing undue stress and many times breakage.

2. The female (reel) connector should have some sort of protection to keep the wire from breaking at its point of entry into the connector. Since the reel connector is handled many more times than any individual body cord, it is only logical to expect that it should be more heavily protected, but such is not the case: the body cord connector is protected by a tough plastic sleeve, while the reel connector goes relatively unprotected!

3. Male banana plugs for replacement should be made available. It is impossible to repair the male plug, sealed as it is in plastic; so this means that it is necessary to buy a whole new body cord. Female connectors are available for replacement; why not the male?

4. As I recall, the reason for the emergence of the shortlived 2-prong amphenol was that it offered no target, since it was smaller than the old 3-prong job and its case was grounded. But now we have blithely accepted a new type plug which is not only **not grounded** but also **larger in target area!**

5. The leather retaining strap inside the epee bellguard should be discarded in favor of the double rubber band type. Nine times out of ten the male plug is too big for the strap, leaving it useless (another reason the male plug should be precision made!); whereas the rubber type, besides taking care of this difficulty, is elastic and wears longer.

To conclude: we've made the change, and there is not much point going back. Let's get together then and iron out the kinks."

Richard F. Oles, Baltimore, Md.



### GABOR MARSHALL

We regret to announce the death of Gabor Marshall on July 10th in New York City where he was attending the National Championships.

Mr. Marshall was born in Hungary and was a graduate of the National War College where he later taught military surveying. He was a member of the European Champion Pentathlon team and a member of the Hungarian Olympic Team. During the war he served on the Russian front and received a citation for valor. At the war's end he served with UNRRA, was a representative of the Red Cross, construction engineer for the French army and a ski instructor for the American army.

Mr. Marshall came to the U. S. with his family in 1949. In 1955 he settled in Rochester where he did so much to increase interest in fencing. He taught at the YWCA and R.I.T.

Theresa A. Pipitone

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## FENCING IN THE 1960 OLYMPICS

by Miguel A. de Capriles

Member, Directoire Technique

As anticipated from the results of the last two World Championships the U.S.S.R. had the best all-round record in the fencing events of the XVII Olympiad in Rome. The Soviets scored heavily with the foil, winning both team events, as well as first, second and fifth places in the men's individual, and second and fourth places in the women's individual. They also won two third places, individual and team, in epee; and, though they failed to place in sabre, they scored a total of 53 unofficial points on the American scale (10-5-4-3-2-1). Hungary was next, with two firsts (sabre individual and team), two seconds (sabre individual and women's team), and three fourths (foil and epee team, and epee individual), for 39 points. Italy made a tremendous comeback from its low performance last year in the world championships, retaining its two Olympic epee titles, and taking a second in foil team, and three thirds (women and sabre teams, and sabre individual), for 37 points. Notwithstanding the perfectly valid criticism of using any kind of point system in the Olympics, there is no other way of evaluating, for example, the relative merits of the Hungarian and Italian teams.

Far behind the three leaders, and fourth in over-all results, was Germany with a first in women's individual, a third in men's foil team, and a fourth in women's team, for 17 points. Poland scored 12 points, with a second in sabre team, a fourth in foil individual, fifth and sixth in a sabre individual, and sixth in women's individual. Great Britain's silver medals in the two epee events were good for 10 points, and sixth place.

The United States ranked seventh with 7 points on Albert Axelrod's third place in foil and the sabre team's fourth place. Roumania had 6 points with a third and a fifth in the women's individual. France was shut out of the Olympic fencing medals for the first time in history, but placed ninth with 5 points on a fourth place in sabre individual and sixth places in foil and epee individuals. Belgium closed the point scores, finishing tenth with 2 points for a fifth in epee individual.

A record total of 43 countries competed in the 1960 Olympic fencing events. Worthy of special note was the return of Spain and Portugal to Olympic fencing, and the repre-

sentation of Asia by such countries as Indonesia, Japan and Viet-nam. From the Western Hemisphere, teams were entered by the United States, Mexico, Venezuela and Argentina; and one or more individuals were entered by Canada, Cuba, Panama, Colombia, and Uruguay. The number of competitors was also a record: 81 individuals and 19 teams in men's foil, 75 individuals and 12 teams in women's foil, 82 individuals and 21 teams in epee, and 72 individuals and 18 teams in sabre. The schedule was extremely tight despite the adoption of direct elimination for all team events after the first qualifying round. That the competitions were finished within a reasonable time was possible only for two reasons: First, the electrical equipment functioned perfectly under the close supervision of an excellent technical staff; and second, the Italian federation was able to supply about 40 judges so that the 12 strips of the sabre individual could be run simultaneously.

Considerable concern was expressed about future Olympic Games, if the number of participating countries continues to grow and if the Games are held in countries which do not have the reservoir of technical talent and officials found in Italy. The most frequently mentioned possibilities were adoption of a direct elimination system, with repechage for first-round losers, for the individuals; and a reduction of the membership of teams from four competitors to three.

The Organization of the events in Rome was fairly good, although there were too many errors by the official scorers assigned to the strips and in the summaries given to the press, and several failures of communication between the Directoire Technique and the captains of the competing teams on matters of importance.

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## MEN'S FOIL INDIVIDUAL

- (1) Viktor Zhdanovich, U.S.S.R.
- (2) Yuriy Sisikin, U.S.S.R.
- (3) Albert Axelrod, U.S.A.

Any lingering doubt among traditionalists about the technical quality of Soviet foil fencing was finally put to rest by the impressive performance of Viktor Zhdanovich. The tall, slender youngster showed a mechanically perfect technique of the classical French school (which of course was developed by the Russians), plus a superb tactical control of time and distance, in every way worthy of a true Olympic champion. In the final, Zhdanovich was undefeated, and only his teammates, Yuriy Sisikin who finished second, and Mark Midler who was fifth, carried him to 5-4. These bouts, incidentally, looked quite genuine from the sidelines, and at one time Zhdanovich trailed Sisikin by 4-1.

Albert Axelrod, who had started shakily in the early rounds, once again proved his international quality in winning the first individual Olympic medal for the United States since Joe Levis' second place at Los Angeles in 1932. Axelrod defeated Woyda and Midler in the fence-off for third place, made necessary by the forced withdrawal of Roger Closset of France due to a knee injury midway through the final. Closset nevertheless nosed out Hoskyns of Great Britain on touches for sixth place.

Defending Olympic Champion Christian D'Oriola of France survived the quarter-finals and semi-finals only after barrage, and in the final won only his first bout, over Closset, finishing eighth. Allan Jay of Great Britain, the 1959 world champion, qualified after barrage in the second round, but dropped out in the quarter-final.

Gene Glazer, U.S.A., fenced well for three rounds, being eliminated also in the quarter-final. His teammate, Joe Paletta, passed the first round, but lack of mobility provided his undoing in the second round.

### First Round

**Pool A:** D'ORIOLA, France 5/1; GERRESHEIM, Germany 4/2; COOPERMANN, Great Britain 4/2; Quintero, Venezuela 3/3; Soheim, UAH 2/4; Sichel, Austria 2/4; Marcal, Portugal 1/5.

**Pool B:** WOYDA, Poland 4/0; CARPANEDA, Italy 3/1; CLOSSET, France 2/2; Schiel, Luxembourg 1/3; Bami, Tunisia 0/4.

**Pool C:** JAY, Gr. Britain 5/0; CEROTTINI, Switzerland 3/2; MURESANU, Romania 2/3; Delhem, Belgium 2/3; Stavrev, Bulgaria 2/3; Klette, Norway 1/4.

**Pool D:** HOSKYNs, Gr. Britain 6/0; FULOP, Hungary 5/1; MOYA, Spain 3/3; Lagerwall, Sweden 3/3; Fajardo, Mexico 1/5; Bini, Monaco 1/5; Barouch, Tunisia 1/5.

**Pool E:** ROZICKI, Poland 4/2; J. KAMUTI, Hungary 4/2; GLAZER, USA 4/2 (d. Orenge 5-1, Garcia 5-1, Abrahamsson 5-3; Diaz Pinillos 5-4; lost to Kamuti 5-1, Rozicki 5-4); Garcia, Venezuela 3/3; Orenge, Monaco 2/4; Diaz Pinillos, Spain 1/5; Abrahamsson, Sweden 1/5.

**Pool F:** JDANOVITCH, U.S.S. 4/1; CSIPLER, Romania 4/1; GONZALES, Spain 2/3; Debeur, Belgium 2/3; Paladino, Uruguay 2/3; Pickwoth, New Zealand 1/4.

**Pool G:** PELLEGRINO, Italy 4/0; DRIMBA, Romania 4/1; VERHALLE, Belgium 4/1; Schwende, Canada 2/3; Hamilton, Ireland 1/3; Echeverri, Colombia 1/3; Benjelloun, Morocco 0/5.

**Pool H:** MEHEL, Germany 5/0; PARULSKI, Poland 4/1; AXELROD, USA 3/2 (d. Duque 5-2, El Fassy 5-2, Polledri 5-2; lost to Mehl 5-1, Parulski 5-1); Duquet, Colombia 1/3; Polledri, Switzerland 1/3; El Fassy, Morocco 0/5.

**Pool I:** FUNAMIZU, Japan 4/1; MIDLER, USSR 3/2; PALETTA, USA 3/2 (d. Midler 5-4, Steininger 5-3; El Hussein 5-3; lost to Funamizu 5-0; Azinhais 5-4); Steininger, Switzerland 2/3; El Hussein, UAR 2/3; Azinhais, Portugal 1/4.

**Pool J:** LINK, Luxembourg 5/0; L. KAMUTI, Hungary 5/0; KOWAGE, Australia 4/2; Ohkawa, Japan 3/3; Lindwall, Sweden 2/3; El Gressy, Morocco 0/5; Tran Van Viet Nam 0/5.

**Pool K:** SISSIKIN, USSR 4/1; MAGNAN, France 4/0; CICERO, Mexico 3/1; Lund, Australia 1/3; El Kalioubi, UAR 1/3; Tabuchi, Japan 1/4; Borrego, Puerto Rico 1/3.

**Pool L:** GRUBER, Venezuela 5/1; BRECHT, Germany 4/2; CURELLETO, Italy 4/2; Didier, Luxembourg 3/3; Diakowski, Bulgaria 3/3; Thullier, Ireland 1/5; Khayat, Tunisia 1/5.

### Second Round

**Pool A:** PELLEGRINO 3/2; PARULSKI 3/2; D'ORIOLA 3/1; MURESANO 3/2; Cerottini 2/3; Gonzales 0/4.

**Pool B:** WOYDA 4/0; BRECHT 3/1; SISSIKIN 3/2; CURELLETO 2/2; Cooperman 1/4; Drimba 0/4.

**Pool C:** J. KAMUTI 4/1; CLOSSET 3/2; JAY 2/3; GLAZER 2/3 (d. Jay 5-4, Closset 5-1; lost to Kamuti 5-3, Funamizu 5-1, Csipser 5-4); Funamizu 2/3; Csipser 2/3.

**Fence-off:** Jay 2/1; Glazer 2/1 (d. Jay 5-2, Funamizu 5-4; lost to Csipser 5-0); Funamizu 1/2; Csipser 1/2.

**Pool D:** MAGNAN 4/0; HOSKYNs 3/1; AXELROD 3/1 (d. Gruber 5-1, Kamuti 5-2, Moya 5-4, lost to Magnan 5-3); GRUBER 2/3; L. Kamuti 0/3; Moya 0/4.

**Pool E:** GERRESHEIM 5/0; CARPANEDA 3/1; MIDLER 2/2; ROZICKI 2/2; Link 1/4; Kowage 0/4.

**Pool F:** MEHL 4/1; JDANOVITCH 3/1; FULOP 3/2; VERHALLE 2/2; Paletta 1/3 (d. Fulop 5-4, lost to Mehl 5-4, Jdanovitch 5-0, Verhalle 5-0); Cicero 0/4.





### Quarter-Final

**Pool A:** PARULSKI 4/0; MIDLER 4/1; D'ORIOLA 3/2; Carpaneda 3/2; Glazer 1/4 (d. Brecht 5-3, lost to Parulski 5-2, Midler 5-1, D'Oriola 5-4, Carpaneda 5-1); Brecht 0/5.

**Pool B:** HOSKYNYS 4/1; SISSIKIN 3/2; WOYDA 2/3; J. Kamuti 2/3; Curletto 2/3; Verhalle 2/3.

**Fence-off:** Woyda 1/1, 21 t.r.; Kamuti 1/1, 22 t.r.; Curletto 1/1, 23 t.r.; Verhalle withdrew.

**Pool C:** AXELROD 4/1 (d. Magnan 5-1, Fulop 5-3, Jay 5-3, Muresanu 5-4, lost to Mehl 5-4); MEHL 3/2; FULOP 3/2; Muresanu 3/2; Magnan 1/4; Jay 1/4.

**Fence-off:** Mehl 1/0, Fulop 1/0, Muresanu 0/2.  
**Pool D:** JDANOVITCH 4/0; ROZICKI 3/1; CLOSSET 3/2; Pellegrino 2/3; Gersesheim 1/3; Gruber 0/4.

### Semi-Final

**Pool A:** JDANOVITCH 3/2; WOYDA 3/2; AXELROD 3/2 (d. D'Oriola 5-2, Parulski 5-3, Fulop 5-1, lost to Woyda 5-1, Jdanovitch 5-3); D'ORIOLA 2/3; Fulop 2/3; Parulski 2/3.

**Fence-off:** D'Oriola d. Fulop 5-2, Parulski 5-0.

**Pool B:** MIDLER 4-1; SISSIKIN 3/2; CLOSSET 3/2; HOSKYNYS 2/3; Rozycki 2/3; Mehl 1/4.  
**Fence-off:** Hoskyns d. Rozycki 5-1.

### Final

1. Jdanovitch, USSR, d. Midler 5-4, Sissikin 5-4, Axelrod 5-2, Hoskyns 5-3, Woyda 5-2, Closset 5-2, D'Oriola 5-2 (7 V)

2. Sissikin, USSR, d. Midler 5-4, Axelrod 5-2, Hoskyns 5-1, D'Oriola 5-4, Closset no bout. (4 V)

3. Axelrod, USA, d. Midler 5-2, Woyda 5-3, D'Oriola 5-2, Closset no bout. (3 V)

4. Woyda, Poland, d. Sissikin 5-3, Hoskyns 5-3, D'Oriola 5-2, Closset no bout. (3 V)

5. Midler, USSR, d. Hoskyns 5-1, Woyda 5-4, D'Oriola 5-0 (3 V)

6. Closset, France, d. Midler 5-3, Hoskyns 5-3 (2 V, 6 touches—withdraw with 3 bouts not fenced)

7. Hoskyns, Gr. Britain, d. Axelrod 5-4, D'Oriola 5-4 (2 V, 8 touches)

8. D'Oriola, France, d. Closset 5-2

**Fence-off** due to Closset withdrawal: Axelrod d. Woyda 5-4, Midler 5-3; Woyda d. Midler 5-2.

## WOMEN'S INDIVIDUAL

- (1) Adelheid Schmid, Germany
- (2) Valentina Rastvorova, U.S.S.R.
- (3) Maria Vicol, Roumania

"Heidi" Schmid, the press favorite at the world championships in Philadelphia two years ago, swept through the first six bouts of the final to give Germany her first Olympic fencing title since Helene Mayer's victory in 1928. On her way to the final, Schmid lost only once, to Veronnet of France by 4-3. After clinching the championship, she dropped her last bout 4-2 to Pawlas of Poland, who thereby placed sixth on touches over Pan-American champion Pilar Roldan of Mexico.

The runner-up spot went to Rastvorova, one of the two Russians in the final. Her teammate Gorokhova tied for third with two Roumanians and placed fourth, behind Vicol and ahead of Orban. The eighth finalist was Ebert of Austria, who in the quarter-finals eliminated the third U.S.S.R. entry, Zabelina, on a fence-off. The quarter-finals also saw the elimination of the defending Olympic champion, Gillian Sheen of Great Britain, and of her predecessor, Irene Camber of Italy, as well as of Lydia Domolky of Hungary, who, like Zabelina, is a former world champion.

Janice Lee Romary of the United States, who had placed 4th in 1952 and 1956 was beaten 4-1 by Groetzer of Austria in a first-round fence-off. Evelyn Terhune suffered a similar fate, 4-0, in a barrage with Pilar Roldan. Harriet King, obviously jittery, lost to two comparative beginners from Indonesia and Puerto Rico and tied with them for last place in her pool.

### First Round

**Pool A:** PAWLAS, Poland 4/1; CAMBER, Italy 4/1; LEROUX, France 3/2; Stafford, Gr. Britain 2/3; Gnauer, Austria 2/3; Sander, Venezuela 0/5.

**Pool B:** EBER, Austria 5/0; COLOMBETTI, Italy 4/1; LAGERWALL, Sweden 4/2; Weiss, Germany 3/3; Wallet, Belgium 1/4; Winter, Australia 1/4; Santini, Venezuela 1/4.

**Pool C:** REJTO, Hungary 4/0; SCHMIDT, Germany 4/0; APPART, Belgium 3/1; Flesch, Luxembourg 2/3; Vall, Spain 0/4; Naples, Portugal 0/4.

**Pool D:** ZABELINA, USSR 4/2; DELBARRE, France 4/2; MEES, Germany 4/2; Van Rossen, Netherlands 3/3; Pau Soe, Indonesia 2/4; Colon Munoz, Puerto Rico 2/4; King, USA 2/4 (d. Mees 4-2, Van Rossen 4-1, lost to Zabelina 4-1, Delbarre 4-1, Pau Soe 4-3, Colon Munoz 4-3).

**Pool E:** VICOL, Romania 4/1; KOVACS, Hungary 4/1; GOROKOVA, USSR 3/2; Shaw, Spain 2/3; Glen Haig, Gr. Britain 1/4; Helsinjus, Finland 1/4.

**Pool F:** RASTVOROVA, USSR 5/0; LAZAR, Romania 3/2; ROLDAN, Mexico 3/2; Terhune, USA (d. Roldan 4-3, Tosat 4-2, Armstrong 4-1, lost to Rastvorova 4-2, Lazar 4-1); Armstrong, Ireland 1/4; Tosat, Spain 0/5.

**Fence-off:** Lazar d. Roldan 4-2, Terhune 4-1; Roldan d. Terhune 4-0.

**Pool G:** JULITO, Poland 4/1; DOMOLKI, Hungary 4/1; GROETZER, Austria 3/2; Romary, USA (d. Julito 4-0, Moulin 4-2, Leal 4-2, lost to Groetzer 4-2, Domolki 4-2); Moulin, Finland 1/4; Leal, Venezuela 0/5.

**Fence-off:** Groetzer d. Romary 4-1.

**Pool H:** ORBAN, Romania 4/0; KLEYVEG, Netherlands 3/0; RAGNO, Italy 3/1; Melchers, Belgium 1/3; Kaczmarczyk, Poland 0/3; Undozus, Indonesia 0/3.

**Pool 1:** BOTBJIL, Netherlands 4/1; SHEEN, Gr. Britain 3/2; VERONNET, France 3/2; Jeftimjades, Jugoslavia 3/2; Rossini, Luxembourg 2/3; Baxter, Australia 0/5.  
**Fence-off:** Sheen 2/0, Veronnet 1/1, Jeftimajes 0/2.

#### Quarter-Final

**Pool A:** KOVACS 4/1; SCHMIDT 4/1; EBERT 3/3; Zabelina 3/3; Camber 2/4; Veronnet 2/4; Lagerwall 2/4.

**Fence-off:** Ebert d. Zabelina 4-2.

**Pool B:** VICOL 3/1; RASTVOROVA 3/1; REJTO 3/1; Ragno 1/3; Julito 1/3; Botbjil 1/3.

**Pool C:** ORBAN 5/0; ROLDAN 4/1; GOROKHOVA 3/2; Mees 3/2; Grotzer 3/2; Colombetti 2/3; Leraux 1/4.

**Fence-off:** Gorokhova d. Mees 4-0, Grotzer 4-2.

**Pool D:** DELBARRE 5/0; PAWLAS 4/1; LAZAR 4/1; Sheen 3/2; Domolki 3/2; Kleyweg 1/4; Appart 0/5.

#### Semi-Final

**Pool A:** SCHMID 4/0; PAWLAS 4/0; ORBAN 2/2; RASTVOROVA 2/3; Kovacs 1/4; Lazar 1/4.

**Pool B:** GOROKHOVA 4/1; ROLDAN 4/1; EBERT 3/2; VICOL 2/3; Delbarre 1/4; Rejto 1/4.

#### Final

1. Schmid, Germany, d. Rastvorova 4-3, Orban 4-2, Vicol 4-1, Gorokhova 4-2, Ebert 4-0, Roldan 4-1 (6 V)

2. Rastvorova, USSR, d. Vicol 4-3, Pawlas 4-0, Gorokhova 4-1, Ebert 4-0, Roldan 4-0 (5 V)

3. Vicol, Romania, d. Orban 4-0, Pawlas 4-1, Ebert 4-3, Roldan 4-2 (4 V)

4. Gorokhova, USSR, d. Vicol 4-3, Pawlas 4-0, Ebert 4-2, Roldan 4-3 (4 V)

5. Orban, Romania, d. Rastvorova 4-1, Pawlas 4-2, Gorokhova 4-3, Ebert 4-2 (4 V)

6. Pawlas, Poland, d. Schmid 4-2, Roldan 4-0 (2 V, 22 t.r.)

7. Roldan, Mexico, d. Orban 4-2, Ebert 4-3 (2 V, 25 t.r.)

8. Ebert, Austria, d. Pawlas 4-3 (1 V)

**Fence-off for third:** Vicol 1/1, 20 t.r.; Gorokhova 1/1, 21 t.r.; Orban 1/1, 23 t.r.



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## MEN'S FOIL TEAM

- (1) U.S.S.R.
- (2) Italy
- (3) Germany
- (4) Hungary

Since the Soviet Union had clearly dominated the individuals, its easy victory in the men's foil team came as no surprise. The real excitement, particularly in view of the Roman setting of the championships, came from the brilliant performances of the Italians and the Germans for the silver and bronze medals. The Italians, who had failed to qualify their individuals beyond the quarter-final and were competing without two of their starts, Bergamini and Spallino, crushed the United States in the semi-final round of 8, and then defeated a highly favored Hungarian team on touches in the first match of the final. In the championship match, the Italians held the Russians even for four bouts, but when Olympic title holder Zhdanovich turned back Mangiarotti, 5-4, in the second of his four victories, the tide turned unmistakably in favor of the Soviets.

The Germans proved that their runner-up position in the 1959 world championship was no accident. They easily turned back Belgium in their first direct-elimination match, and then fought a perfect draw with the strong French team, 8-8 in bouts, 61-61 in touches. As provided by action of the Extraordinary Congress, each team captain selected one of the four men on his team to fence-off the tie, and Gerresheim beat D'Orsola by the almost incredible score of 5-0. The brilliant German youngsters fenced loosely against the Soviets, and then turned on full power to overcome the favored Hungarians.

The United States team looked good in the first two rounds, but the loss of Albert Axelrod due to a leg injury in the match with Luxembourg, which was completed around midnight due to organizational delays, proved to be a serious handicap the following morning against the Italians who had received a bye. Bukantz, Glazer, and Paletta performed very creditably; but Goldsmith was somewhat erratic.

### First Round

- Pool A:** LUXEMBOURG d. Australia 10/6; FRANCE d. Australia 11/3; FRANCE d. LUXEMBOURG 9/6.  
**Pool B:** HUNGARY d. UAR 9/2; UAR and HUNGARY d. Sweden by default.  
**Pool C:** ROMANIA and ITALY d. Spain by default; ITALY d. ROMANIA 9/2.  
**Pool D:** BELGIUM d. Japan 10/6; USSR d. Japan 15/1; USSR d. BELGIUM 9/1.

**Pool E:** GREAT BRITAIN d. Venezuela 14/2; GERMANY d. Venezuela 14/2; GERMANY d. GREAT BRITAIN 9/5.

**Pool F:** POLAND d. Morocco 16/0; **USA d. Morocco 16/0** (Glazer, Goldsmith, Paletta, Axelrod); **USA d. POLAND 9/4** (Paletta 3/0, Bukantz 3/1; Glazer 3/0; Goldsmith 0/3).

### Quarter-Final (Direct Elimination)

Byes: FRANCE, HUNGARY, ITALY, USSR.

**Strip 1:** GERMANY d. Romania 9/2.

**Strip 2:** GREAT BRITAIN d. Belgium 9/2.

**Strip 3:** POLAND d. UAR 9/3.

**Strip 4:** **USA d. Luxembourg 9/5**. Bukantz 3/0, Paletta 3/1, Glazer 2/1, Goldsmith 1/0, Axelrod 0/3 (withdrew account injury).

### Semi-Final (Direct Elimination)

**Strip 1:** **ITALY d. U.S.A. 9/0** (Glazer 0/2, Bukantz 0/2, Paletta 0/2, Goldsmith 0/3).

**Strip 2:** USSR d. Poland 9/6.

**Strip 3:** GERMANY d. France 8/8 and 61-61. Gerresheim d. D'Orsola 5-0 in play-off.

**Strip 4:** HUNGARY d. Great Britain 9-7.

### Final (Direct Elimination)

**Strip 1:** **ITALY d. Hungary 8/8 and 65-68.**

**Strip 2:** USSR d. German 9/3.

### 3rd Place Match

GERMANY d. Hungary 9/5 (Brecht 3/1, Gerresheim 3/1, Mehl 2/1, Theuerkauff 1/2; J. Kamuti 2/2, Czwikowski 2/2, Fulop 1/2, L. Kamuti 0/3).

### Championship Match

USSR d. Italy 9/4 (Zdanovitch 4/0, Midler 3/0, Sissikin 1/2, Sveshnikov 1/2; Carpaneda 2/1, Pellegrino 1/3, Mangiarotti 1/2, Curletto 0/3).

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## WOMEN'S TEAM

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- (2) Hungary
- (3) Italy
- (4) Germany

The Soviet Union's third Olympic title was won by a well-balanced sextet of foilswomen of whom former world champion Zabelina was probably the weakest. Silver medalist Rasvorova and a blonde youngster, Prudskova, each scored 11 bout victories in the event. The Soviets won easily over Venezuela and Italy in the qualifying round, rallied from an 8-3 deficit to beat France on touches, and then crushed Germany and Hungary in the finals. The favored Hungarians had reached the title match with an excellent record, but were outclassed 9-3 by the new champions. Italy scored something of an upset in taking the bronze medals from a well-regarded German team by a 9-2 margin. The big disappointment for Germany was the lackluster performance of the new Olympic champion, Heidi Schmid, who won only one of her six bouts in the the two final matches.

The United States team fought an absolute tie with Poland in the first match of the qualifying round, thanks to Judy Goodrich's four victories; but the tie was not fenced-off since this was not a direct-elimination match. Next, with Goodrich suffering four defeats, the United States was beaten 10-6 by France, which was then assured of qualification. Poland defeated France in the third match of the pool and thereby eliminated the United States. Janice Romary had the best record for the United States, 5 victories and 3 defeats. Evelyn Terhune is a good ath-

lete with a promising future; but Harriet King seems to be temperamentally unsuited for international competition, notwithstanding her good technique, and Maxine Mitchell appears to have reached the end of her distinguished career as an international fencer.

### First Round

**Pool A:** ITALY d. Venezuela 13/3; USSR d. Venezuela 13/3; USSR d. ITALY 9/4.

**Pool B:** ROMANIA d. Great Britain 12/4; HUNGARY d. Great Britain 10/6; HUNGARY d. ROMANIA 9/7.

**Pool C:** NETHERLANDS d. Austria 10/6; GERMANY d. Austria 10/6; GERMANY d. NETHERLANDS 9/3.

**Pool D:** USA tied POLAND 8/8 and 47-47 = Goodrich 4/0 (8 t.r.), Romary 2/2 (10 t.r.), Mitchell 1/3 (14 t.r.), King 1/3 (15 t.r.). FRANCE d. USA 10/6 = Romary 3/1, Terhune 2/2, King 1/3, Goodrich 0/4. POLAND d. FRANCE 9/6.

Poland 1 V, 1 tie, 17 bouts

France 1 V, 16 bouts

USA 1 tie, 14 bouts

### Semi-Final (Direct Elimination)

**Strip 1:** GERMANY d. Romania 9/4

**Strip 2:** ITALY d. Poland 9/5

**Strip 3:** HUNGARY d. Netherlands 9/3

**Strip 4:** USSR d. France 8/8 and 46-48

### Final (Direct Elimination)

**Strip 1:** HUNGARY d. Italy 9/3

**Strip 2:** USSR d. Germany 9/3

### 3rd Place Match

ITALY d. Germany 9/2 (Camber 3/0, Cesari 3/0, Ragno 2/1, Colombetti 1/1; Schmid 1/2, Mees 1/1, Stroh 0/3, Hohle 0/3)

### Championship Match

USSR d. Hungary 9/3 (Petrenko 3/0, Rasvorova 3/0, Shishova 2/1, Prudskova 1/2; Juhasz Nagy 1/2, Domolki 1/2, Rejto 1/2, Kovacs 0/3).

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## EPEE INDIVIDUAL

- (1) Giuseppe Delfino, Italy
- (2) Allan Jay, Great Britain
- (3) Bruno Khabarov, U.S.S.R.

Giuseppe ("Pippo") Delfino of Italy, for many years one of the strongest fencers in the world but never before winner of the big title, finally won the Olympic individual gold medal by crushing Allan Jay of Great Britain in a fence-off. Delfino, 38 years old, fought a cautious game throughout the tournament, often playing for a single touch by letting time run out; but in the barrage, with no need for further conservation of energy, he went all out to win 5-2. It was a bitter disappointment to Jay, who seemed to have the title in his hands when he reeled off five straight victories in the final, while his three chief rivals suffered two defeats each. But in his sixth bout Jay lost to Khabarov, the same man who had beaten him last year for the world championship; and then Jay lost to Delfino in a gruelling struggle that went overtime when the score was only 1-1.

Sakovitz lost his chance to tie for first when he was beaten by Dreyfus of France, and then lost the bronze medal on a long overtime fence-off with Khabarov, whom he had earlier beaten in a similar bout. Achten of Belgium, Dreyfus and Mouyal of France tied for fifth and finished in that order on touches. The eighth finalist was young Breda of Italy, who was entered only in the individuals.

U.S. champion David Micahnik passed the first round comfortably but was eliminated in the second round. The other two U.S. entries, Jim Margolis and Ralph Spinella, went out on fence-offs in the first round. The chief criticism made of the Americans' epee style was their lack of tactical preparation of their actions; also criticized was their failure to make more hits to the wrist.

### First Round

**Pool A and Pool B:** We regret that the score sheets for these two pools were lost in transit. Qualifiers were: HOSKYNs, Great Britain; GABOR, Hungary; ABRAHAMSON, Sweden; DREYFUS, France; MOUYAL, France; OSMAN, Lebanon. We do not have the names of those eliminated.

**Pool C:** JAY, Gr. Britain 5/1; FANGER, Germany 4/2; REHBINDER, Sweden 4/2; Annabi, Tunisia 4/2; Menendez, Cuba 2/4; Orengo, Monaco 2/4; Dque, Colombia 0/6.

**Fence-off:** Fanger and Rehbirder d. Annabi.

**Pool D:** SAKOVITS, Hungary 4/0; ACHTEN, Belgium 4/0; FERREIRA, Portugal 3/2; Czarniecki, Finland 2/3; Lagerwall, Sweden 1/4; Tran Van, Viet Nam 0/5.

**Pool E:** KAUSZ, Hungary 4/0; BREDa, Italy 3/1; PELLING, Gr. Britain 3/2; Sakali, Lebanon 1/3; Ramos, Mexico 1/3; Martinez, Spain 1/3.

**Pool F:** DELFINO, Italy 5/0; GNAIER, Germany 3/2; DEHEZ, Belgium 2/3; **Spinella, USA 2/3** (d. Gnaier 5-4, Pakarinen 5-4, lost to Delfino 5-3, Dehez 5-1, Klette 5-2); Pakarinen, Finland 2/3; Klette, Norway 1/4.

**Fence-off:** Dehez d. Spinella 5-4, Pakarinen 5-2.

**Pool G:** TABUCHI, Japan 5/1; PELLEGRINO, Italy 4/2; **MICAHNIK, USA 4/2** (d. Pellegrino 5-3, Martinez 5-2, Tabuchi 5-1, Sebti 5-0, lost to Carpenter 5-2, Polledri 5-1); Martinez, Argentina 3/3; Carpenter, Ireland 3/3; Polledri, Switzerland 2/4; Sebti, Morocco 0/6.

**Pool H:** KHABAROV, USSR 5/0; KURCZAB, Poland 4/1; AMEZ DROZ, Switzerland 4/2; Schiel, Luxembourg 2/3; Harchi, Morocco 2/3; Bland, Ireland 1/4; Simpson, Australia 0/5.

**Pool I:** BALESTRINI, Argentina 6/0; KOSTAVA, USSR 4/1; WIJK, Finland 4/1; Ramadan, Lebanon 2/3; Roldan, Mexico 1/4; Soeratman, Indonesia 1/4; Diez, Spain 0/5.

**Pool J:** GURATH, Romania 5/1; GUTENKAUFF, Luxembourg 5/1; GLOS, Poland 4/2; **Margolis, USA 4/2** (d. Glos 5-1, Brami 5-2, Ozawa 5-2, Albuquerque 5-3, lost to Gurath 5-1, Gutenkauff 5-4); Brami, Tunisia 1/5; Ozawa, Japan 1/5; Albuquerque, Portugal 1/5.

**Fence-off:** Glos d. Margolis 5-3.

**Pool K:** TCHERNOUCHEVICH, USSR 5/0; FERNANDEZ, Portugal 4/1; NEUBER, Germany 2/3; Dwinger, Netherlands 2/3; Fujmaki, Japan 2/3; Bini, Monaco 0/5.

**Fence-off:** Neuber d. Dwinger 5-4, Fujmaki 6-5.

**Pool L:** GUITTET, France 4/1; PICKWORTH, New Zealand 4/1; GONSIOR, Poland 3/2; Echeverri, Colombia 3/2; Barouch, Tunisia 1/4; El Gressy, Morocco 0/5.

### Second Round

**Pool A:** KURCZAB, 4/1; GURATH, 3/2; HOSKYNs, 3/3; MOUYAL, 2/3; Amez Dros, 2/3; Osman, 1/4.

**Fence-off:** Moyal d. Amez Dros 5-3.

**Pool B:** REHBINDER, 4/0; TCHERNOUCHEVICH, 3/2; GABOR, 3/2; DREYFUS, 2/3; Wiik, 2/3; Fernandez, 0/4.

**Pool C:** NEUBER, 4/1; GUITTET, 3/1; BREDa, 3/1; JAY, 2/3; Ferreiro, 1/4; **Micahnik 1/4** (d. Ferreira 6-5, lost to Neuber 5-2, Guittet 5-1, Breda 5-2, Jay 3-3).

**Pool D:** SAKOVITS, 4/0; PELLEGRINO, 3/1; GLOS, 3/1; ACHTEN, 2/3; Balestrini, 1/4; Pickworth, 0/4.

**Pool E:** KAUSZ, 3/2; KHABAROV, 3/1; GNAIER, 3/1; GONSIOR, 3/2; Pelling, 1/3; Gutnekauff, 0/4.

**Pool F:** FANGER, 4/1; ABRAHAMSSON, 3/1; DELFINO, 3/1; KOSTOWA, 2/2; Tabuchi, 1/4; Dehez, 0/4.

### Quarter-Final

**Pool A:** BREDa 4/1; KHABAROV 3/2; JAY 3/2; Kurczab 3/2; Gabor 1/4; Abrahamsson 1/4.

**Fence-off:** Khabarov and Jay d. Kurczab.

**Pool B:** DELFINO 5/0; KAUSZ 3/2; REHBINDER 3/2; Gnaier 2/3; Glos 1/4; Guittet 0/5.

**Pool C:** PELLEGRINO 4/1; DREYFUS 3/2; KOSTOVA 3/2; Gonsior 2/3; Neuber 2/3; Hoskyns 0/5.

**Pool D:** MOUYAL 3/2; ACHTEN 3/2; SAKOVITS 3/2; Tchernouchevich 3/2; Gurath 2/3; Fanker 1/4.

**Fence-off:** Mouyal 2/1; Achten 2/0; Sakovits 1/1; Tchernouchevich 0/3.

#### Semi-Final

**Pool A:** JAY 4/1; KHABAROV 3/2; MOUYAL 3/2; ACHTEN 2/3; Pellegrino 2/3; Kausz 1/4.

**Fence-off:** Achten d. Pellegrino 5-4.

**Pool B:** SAKOVITS 3/2; DREYFUS 3/2; DELFINO 3/2; BREDA 2/3; Kostova 2/3; Rehbindler 2/3.

**Fence-off:** Breda 1/1, 24 t.r.; Kostova 1/1, 29 t.r.; Rehbindler 1/1, 31 t.r.

### EPEE TEAM

- (1) Italy
- (2) Great Britain
- (3) U.S.S.R.
- (4) Hungary

In their successful defense of the Olympic epee team title, the Italians fielded a six-man squad that did not include eighth-place finalist Breda. The youngster's place was taken by Saccaro, a veteran at the age of 20, who fenced with a patch over his injured right eye. Three of the team members were Olympic individual champions, Mangiarotti, Pavese and Delfino; the other two were Pellegrino and Marini. The champions won impressively. Their closest match was the first one, when Portugal led 6-4 and lost only 7-9.

Great Britain was a surprisingly strong runner-up, as her two big guns, Jay and Hoskyns, were ably supported by Howard and Pelling. The Soviet Union, which eventually beat Hungary for the bronze medals, trailed Lebanon 7-2 in its first match, but rallied to win on touches at 8-all.

The United States beat Portugal and lost to Italy in the qualifying round, but then had the bad luck to draw Great Britain for the first direct-elimination match. Margolis and Kolowrat showed to best advantage, with Wommack and Micahnik next.

Lebanon, like Portugal, was underrated in the seeding; its other defeat in the qualifying round was at the hands of Switzerland, 8-8, 63-66. The Swiss went on to eliminate France, 8-8, 64-66, and eventually lost to the British, 9-5. The most evenly balanced qualifying pool saw Belgium and Poland beat Spain by identical 9-7 scores and then fence an absolute tie, 8-8, 61-61. Both qualifiers went out in the next round, Poland losing to Luxembourg by one touch. The finalist teams were clearly the best on the days of the tournament; on other days, a half dozen other teams might have done equally well.

### Final

1. Delfino, Italy, d. Mouyal 6-5, Breda 5-2, Khabarov 5-2, Jay 6-5, Achten 7-6 (5 V)
  2. Jay, Great Britain d. Mouyal 5-2, Breda 5-2, Dreyfus 5-2, Achten 5-4, Sakovits 5-2 (5 V)
  3. Khabarov, USSR, d. Dreyfus 6-5, Jay 5-2, Achten 5-4, Breda 5-3 (1 V)
  4. Sakovits, Hungary, d. Mouyal 5-2, Delfino 6-5, Khabarov 7-6, Achten 5-2 (4 V)
  5. Achten, Belgium, d. Mouyal 5-1, Breda 5-3, Dreyfus 5-4 (3 V, 28 t.r.)
  6. Dreyfus, France, d. Delfino 6-5, Breda 5-1, Sakovits 5-3 (3 V, 29 t.r., 29 scored)
  7. Mouyal, France, d. Breda 5-3, Khabarov 5-3, Dreyfus 5-3 (3 V, 29 t.r., 25 scored)
  8. Breda, Italy, d. Sakovits 5-4 (1 V)
- Fence-off for 3rd:** Khabarov d. Sakovits 8-7  
**Fence-off for 1st:** Delfino d. Jay 5-2

### EPEE TEAM

**Pool A:** USA d. Portugal 10/6 (Margolis 3/1, Wommack 3/1; Micahnik 2/2, Kolowrat 2/2); ITALY d. Portugal 9/7; ITALY d. USA 9/2 (Kolowrat 1/2, Micahnik 1/1, Spinella 0/3, Wommack 0/3)

**Pool B:** JAPAN d. Mexico 9/7; HUNGARY d. Mexico 14/2; HUNGARY d. JAPAN 9/4.

**Pool C:** SWITZERLAND d. Lebanon 8/8 and 63-66; USSR d. Lebanon 8/8 and 58-65; USSR d. SWITZERLAND 9/1.

**Pool D:** FINLAND d. Ireland 12/4; FRANCE d. Ireland 12/4; FRANCE d. FINLAND 9/2.

**Pool E:** LUXEMBOURG d. Morocco 12/4; GREAT BRITAIN d. Morocco 15/1; GREAT BRITAIN d. LUXEMBOURG 8/7.

**Pool F:** SWEDEN d. Australia 11/5; GERMANY d. Australia 13/3; GERMANY d. SWEDEN 9/7.

**Pool G:** BELGIUM d. Spain 9/7; POLAND d. Spain 9/7; POLAND tied BELGIUM 8/8 and 61-61.

#### Quarter-Final (Direct Elimination)

**Byes:** HUNGARY, ITALY.

**Strip 1:** USSR d. Japan 9/0.

**Strip 2:** GREAT BRITAIN d. USA 9/5 (Margolis 2/2, Kolowrat 2/1, Wommack 1/3, Micahnik 0/3).

**Strip 3:** GERMANY d. Finland 9/5.

**Strip 4:** SWEDEN d. Belgium 9/4.

**Strip 5:** SWITZERLAND d. France 8/8 and 64-66.

**Strip 6:** LUXEMBOURG d. Poland 8/8 and 61-62.

#### Semi-Final (Direct Elimination)

**Strip 1:** HUNGARY d. Luxembourg 9/2.

**Strip 2:** ITALY d. Sweden 9/3.

**Strip 3:** GREAT BRITAIN d. Switzerland 9/5.

**Strip 4:** USSR d. Germany 9/2.

#### Final (Direct Elimination)

**Strip 1:** ITALY d. USSR 9/6.

**Strip 2:** GREAT BRITAIN d. Hungary 8/7.

#### 3rd Place Match

USSR d. Hungary 9/5 (Kostava 4/0, Chernouchevich 2/2, Chernikov 2/1, Khabarov 1/2; Marosi 2/2, Dabor 2/1, Kausz 1/2, Sakovits 0/4).

#### Championship Match

ITALY d. Great Britain 9/5 (Delfino 3/1, Pellegrino 3/1, Pavese 2/1, Mangiarotti 1/2; Jay 3/1, Howard 1/3, Pelling 1/2, Hoskyns 0/3).



## SABRE INDIVIDUAL

- (1) Rudolf Karpati, Hungary
- (2) Zoltan Horvath, Hungary
- (3) Wladimiro Calarese, Italy

Mastery of fencing pace, for the conservation of his limited physical strength, enabled Rudolf Karpati of Hungary to stage the only successful defense of an individual Olympic fencing title. The hardfought final at one time threatened to wind up on a six-way tie for first place. As it was, four men tied for second and, in the fence-off, the three top men beat one another. Horvath of Hungary was second with a good touch advantage, but Calarese of Italy won the bronze medals on two touches "for" over Arabo of France. Fifth after the fence-off was Zablocki of Poland, followed by his team-mate Pawlowski, 1957 world champion, who was one bout behind and could have tied for first if he had won the bout he lost 5-4 to Karpati. The other two finalists were Tychler and Rylskyi of the Soviet Union, who in 1958 fenced-off in Philadelphia for the world sabre title.

Rylskyi and Calarese made the final on a barrage that eliminated, on touches, the 50-year old veteran champion, Aldar Gerevich of Hungary, who first competed in the Olympics in the 1932 Games at Los Angeles.

The three United States entries survived the first two rounds in fine style, but lost out in the difficult quarter-finals. Alfonso Morales made an early tactical error that forced him into a fence-off for qualification, but improved throughout the competition. Al Kwartler was tops in his first pool, but Michael Dasaro had a somewhat better over-all record.

### First Round

**Pool A:** THEUERKAUFF, Germany 4/0; ZUB, Poland 3/1; STAVREV, Bulgaria 2/2; Ozawa, Japan 1/3; Bengualid, Morocco 0/4.

**Pool B:** KWARTLER, USA 4/1 (d. Lefevre 5-3, Van Gelder 5-1, Tran Van 5-1, Funamizu 5-0, lost to Goliardi 5-4); GOLIARDI, Uruguay 4/1; LEFEVRE, France 3/2; Funamizu, Japan 3/2; Tran Van, Viet Nam 1/4; Van Gelder, Israel 0/5.

**Fence-off:** Lefevre d. Funamizu 5-3.

**Pool C:** KARPATI, Hungary 4/0; RESCH, Austria 2/2; VANDERAUWERA, Belgium 2/2; Rodriguez, Portugal 2/2; Hackshall, Australia 0/4.

**Fence-off:** Resch 2/0, Vanderauwera 1/1, Rodriguez 0/2.

**Pool D:** GEREVICH, Hungary 5/0; DASARO, USA 4/1 (d. Ballister 5-3, Arus 5-4, Benelloun 5-3, Ron 5-0, lost to Gerevich 5-2); ARUS, Romania 3/2; Ballister, Belgium 2/3; Ron, Israel 1/4; Benelloun, Morocco 0/5.

**Pool E:** HORVATH, Hungary 4/0; ROULOT, France 3/0; SANDE, Argentina 3/1; Martinez, Portugal 1/3; Marguillaz, Spain 0/3; Fujimaki, Japan 0/4.

**Pool F:** CALARESE, Italy 4/0; ASATIANI, USSR 3/1; ULRICH, Austria 3/1; Sichel, Australia 1/3; Ordejon, Spain 0/3; Sebti, Morocco 0/3.

**Pool G:** FERRARI, Italy 4/1; MUSTATA, Romania 4/1; MORALES, USA 3/2 (d. Mustata 5-2, Barouch 5-2, Echeverri 5-2, lost to Ferrari 5-4, Cooperman 5-4); Cooperman, Gr. Britain 3/2; Barouch, Tunisia 1/4; Echeverri, Colombia 0/5.

**Fence-off:** Morales d. Cooperman 5-2.

**Pool H:** ARABO, France 4/0; WOHLER, Germany 4/1; DIAKOWSKI, Bulgaria 3/1; Gutierrez, Venezuela 1/3; Azinhais, Portugal 0/3; Kayot, Tunisia 0/3.

**Pool I:** PAWLOWSKI, Poland 5/0; VANBAELEN, Belgium 4/1; WANETSCHKE, Austria 2/3; Ramos, Mexico 2/3; De Diego, Spain 2/3; Garcia, Venezuela 0/5.

**Fence-off:** Wanetschke d. De Diego 5-3 and Ramos 5-3.

**Pool J:** ZABLOCKI, Poland 5/0; PALADINO, Uruguay 3/2; CHICCA, Italy 3/2; JACHIA, Indonesia 2/3; Amberg, Gr. Britain 1/4; Pickworth, New Zealand 1/4.

**Pool K:** RYLSKYI, USSR 4/1; ROHONYI, Romania 4/1; LECKIE, Gr. Britain 3/2; Larrea, Argentina 2/3; Fajardo, Mexico 2/3; Duque, Colombia 0/5.

**Pool L:** TYSCHLER, USSR 5/0; KOSTNER, Germany 4/1; VASIN, Yugoslavia 2/3; Vassallo, Argentina 2/3; Palte Frey, Denmark 2/3; Annabi, Tunisia 0/5.

**Fence-off:** Vasin 1/1, 27 t.r., 26 scored; Vassallo 1/1, 27 t.r., 25 scored; Palte Frey 1/1, 27 t.r., 23 scored.

### Second Round

**Pool A:** KARPATI 4/1; FERRARI 3/2; GOLIARDI 3/2; WOHLER 2/1; Sande 1/4; Leckie 1/4.

**Pool B:** GEREVICH 3/1; CALARESE 3/1; ROULOT 3/1; MORALES 2/2 (d. Salarese 5-3, Van Baelen 5-0, lost to Roulot 5-2, Stavrev 5-2); Van Baelen 1/4; Stavrev 1/4.

**Pool C:** ARABO 4/1; HORVATH 4/1; DASARO 4/1 (d. Horvath 5-2, Rohonyi 5-2, Ulrich 5-1, Paladino 5-3, lost to Arabo 5-2); ROHONYI 2/3; Paladino 1/4; Ulrich 0/5.

**Pool D:** LEFEVRE 4/1; PAWLOWSKI 4/1; THEUERKAUFF 3/2; ASATIANI 2/3; Vasin 1/4; Mustata 1/4.

**Pool E:** ZABLOCKI 4/1; RYLSKYI 3/0; KASTNER 3/2; DIAKOWSKI 2/3; Resch 1/4; Arus 1/4.

**Pool F:** ZUB 4/1; TYSCHLER 3/2; KWARTLER 3/2 (d. Zub 5-4, Wanetschke 5-4, Chicco 5-4, lost to Tyschler 5-1, Vanderauwera 5-3); VANDERAUWERA 2/3; Chicco 2/3; Wanetschke 1/4.

**Fence-off:** Vanderauwera d. Chicco 5-3.

### Quarter-Final

**Pool A:** KARPATI 4/1; ROHONYI 3/2; CALARESE 3/2; Lefevre 2/3; Dasaro 1/3 (d. Lefevre 5-3, lost to Karpati 5-1, Rohonyi 5-3, Calarese 5-3; Wohliher 1/3).

**Pool B:** ZABLOCKI 4/1; GEREVICH 3/2; ROULOT 3/2; Goliardi 2/3; Asatiani 2/3; Kostner 1/4.

**Pool C:** RYLSKYI 4/1; FERRARI 4/1; HORVATH 3/2; Zub 2/3; Vanderauwera 2/3; Morales 0/5 (lost to Rylski 5-2, Ferrari 5-3, Horvath 5-2, Zub 5-3, Vanderauwera 5-3).

**Pool D:** ARABO 4/1; PAWLOWSKI 4/1; TYSCHLER 4/1; Diawowski 2/3; Theuerkauff 0/4; **Kwartler 0/4 (lost to Arabo 5-0, Pawlowski 5-3, Tyschler 5-0, Diakowski 6-0).**

#### Semi-Final

**Pool A:** KARPATI 4/1; ARABO 3/2; TYSCHLER 3/2; ZABLOCKI 2/3; Ferrari 2/3; Rohonyi 1/4.

**Fence-off:** Zablocki d. Ferrari 5-4.

**Pool B:** PAWLOWSKI 4/1; HORVATH 4/1; RYLSKYI 2/3; CALARESE 2/3; Gerevich 2/3; Roulot 1/4.

**Fence-off:** Rylskyi 1/1, 27 t.r.; Calarese 1/1, 28 t.r.; Gerevich 1/1, 30 t.r.

#### Final

- Karpati, Hungary d. Horvath 5-4, Zablocki 5-0, Tyschler 5-3, Pawlowski 5-4, Arabo 5-4 (5 V)
- Horvath, Hungary d. Rylskyi 5-2, Tyschler 5-3, Calarese 5-3, Arabo 5-3 (4 V)
- Calarese, Italy d. Karpati 5-3, Tyschler 5-4, Pawlowski 5-3, Arabo 5-4 (4 V)
- Arabo, France d. Rylskyi 5-4, Zablocki 5-4, Pawlowski 5-3 (4 V)
- Zablocki, Poland d. Rylskyi 5-4, Horvath 5-2, Tyschler 5-1, Calarese 5-4 (4 V)
- Pawlowski, Poland d. Rylskyi 5-2, Horvath 5-3, Zablocki 5-3 (3 V)
- Tyschler, USSR, d. Rylskyi 5-1, Pawlowski 5-3 (2 V, 29 t.r.)
- Rylskyi, USSR, d. Karpati 5-3, Calarese 5-4 (2 V, 32 t.r.)

**Fence-off for 2nd and 3rd:** Horvath 2/1, 29 t.r.; Calarese 2/1, 36 t.r., 44 scored; Arabo 2/1, 36 t.r., 42 scored; Zablocki 0/3.



## CHAMPIONSHIP EQUIPMENT

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#### SABRE TEAM

- (1) Hungary
- (2) Poland
- (3) Italy
- (4) U.S.A.

Hungary's margin of superiority over Italy and Poland in the finals proved to be its ability to produce a four-bout winner in each match: Mendelenyi against Italy and Horvath in the decisive encounter with Poland. Because the final match was held simultaneously with the third-place battle between Italy and the United States, which drew most of the audience, the drama between Hungary and Poland went largely unnoticed. The Poles jumped off to a 3-0 lead; then Hungary took five in a row. Poland tied at 6-all, Hungary won two, Poland one — and Karpati won the last and decisive bout, although at the time he needed to score only one touch to tie and two touches to win. On the other strip, Worth won the first bout over Italy, but that was the last time the United States had the advantage. With Calarese winning four and Lanichini three, the Italians took the bronze medals by a 9-6 score.

For the Americans, the big story was their victory over the Soviet Union on touches in the second round of direct elimination. Earlier in the tournament, the United States had beaten Morocco, Germany, and Austria in well-fenced matches starring Morales and Kwartler. The Soviets had fought only one match, crushing Argentina. Against the U.S.S.R., the United States went ahead 2-1 on Dasaro's 5-0 victory over Rylskyi, but thereafter the fight was all uphill. The Soviets led at 4-2, 6-3, and 7-4. Then Nyilas, Dasaro and Morales tied it up at 7-all. When Kwartler bowed to Rylskyi, the United States was one bout behind and two touches ahead. The issue was squarely up to Nyilas, who had won his other three bouts, and the Russian champion Tychler who had a similar record. Nyilas, in the twilight of a brilliant fencing career, won 5-4 to round out one of the greatest performances in American fencing history.

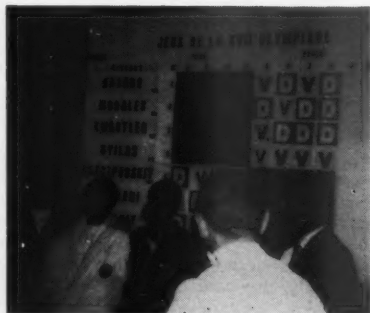
Flushed with success, Captain Ralph Goldstein made a bid for the gold or silver medals sending the same team against Poland — rated by many observers as substantially equal in strength to Hungary. The Americans fell



behind from the start and never could mount a sustained rally, losing 9-3. This set the stage for the third-place match with Italy, who had won a humdinger from France 9/7 to reach the final and had lost to Hungary by only 9/6. Worth and Kwartler each won two bouts against Italy.

The sabre events confirmed the international potential of the two youngsters on the team, Michael Dasaro and Alfonso Morales, whose performance was probably the best of any American fencers of comparable age and experience. The two are quite different: Dasaro is the better technician; Morales the better athlete. Both have the talent to be the mainstays of future U.S. sabre eams.

The chief criticisms made of the American sabremen were, first, their tendency to abuse the stop-cut, failing to parry the straight attack; and second, their limited ability on the attack.



#### First Round

- Pool A:** BELGIUM d. Bulgaria by default; HUNGARY d. BELGIUM 9/3.  
**Pool B:** AUSTRIA d. Japan 11/5; POLAND d. Japan 14/2; POLAND d. AUSTRIA 9/3.  
**Pool C:** ARGENTINA d. Australia by default; USSR d. ARGENTINA 9/1.  
**Pool D:** ROMANIA d. Portugal 8/8 (58-64); ITALY d. Portugal 9/2; ITALY d. ROMANIA 9/3.  
**Pool E:** GREAT BRITAIN d. Spain 9/7; FRANCE d. Spain 10/1; FRANCE d. GREAT BRITAIN 9/0.  
**Pool F:** GERMANY d. Morocco 15/1; U.S.A. d. MOROCCO 16/0 (Dasaro, Dyer, Nyilas, Worth); U.S.A. d. GERMANY 9/6 (Morales 3/1, Kwartler 3/1, Dasaro 2/2, Dyer 1/2).

#### Second Round (Direct Elimination)

- Byes:** HUNGARY, ITALY, POLAND, USSR.  
**Strip 1:** FRANCE d. Belgium 9/5.  
**Strip 2:** GERMANY d. Argentina 9/4.  
**Strip 3:** ROMANIA d. Great Britain 9/6.  
**Strip 4:** U.S.A. d. Austria 9/5 (Morales 3/1, Kwartler 3/0, Dasaro 2/2, Dyer 1/2).

#### Semi-Final (Direct Elimination)

- Strip 1:** POLAND d. Germany 9/2.  
**Strip 2:** HUNGARY d. Romania 9/3.  
**Strip 3:** ITALY d. France 9/7.  
**Strip 4:** U.S.A. d. U.S.S.R. 8/8 and 65-68. Nyilas 4/0 (14 t.r.), Dasaro 2/2 (13 t.r.), Morales 1/3 (19 t.r.), Kwartler 1/3 (19 t.r.); Tyschler 3/1 (16 t.r.), Satiani 2/2 (17 t.r.), Rylskiy 2/2 (17 t.r.), Cherepovski 1/3 (18 t.r.).

#### Final (Direct Elimination)

- Strip 1:** HUNGARY d. Italy 9/6.  
**Strip 2:** POLAND d. U.S.A. 9/3 (Ochyra 3/0, Piotkowski 2/1, Pawlowski 2/1, Zablocki 2/1; Morales 1/2, Kwartler 1/2, Nyilas 1/2, Dasaro 0/3).

#### 3rd Place Match

- ITALY d. U.S.A. 9/6 (Calarese 4/0, Colanichin 3/0, Chicca 1/3, Ravagnan 1/3; Worth 2/1, Kwartler 2/2, Dasaro 1/3, Morales 1/3).

#### Championship Match

- HUNGARY d. Poland 9/7 (Horvath 4/0, Karpati 2/2, Mendelenyi 2/2, Kovacs 1/3; Zablocki 2/2, Pawlowski 2/2, Piotkowski 2/2, Ochyra 1/3).

## OUR NEXT ISSUE

In order to give you full coverage of the Olympic Games we were obliged to delete some interesting articles and several divisional reports. They will appear in the December issue.

Our next issue will be in the mail early so as to beat the Christmas rush. It will include a report on the F.I.E. Congress, a critical observation of the way we run the Nationals and a report on the winner of the Connecticut Trophy.



## CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Ralph Goldstein, 1960 Olympic Team Captain

Our editor asked me for a short report on the accomplishments of the fencing team in Rome. That's a tall order when you consider that the fencing started on August 29 and, with the exception of Sunday, September 4, continued daily through September 10. Nevertheless, it's a small magazine and about to go to press, so there is neither the space nor the time for more.

First, it was a great team. The members were very cooperative and from the start they worked as one integrated unit, without cliques, toward our common objective. To this end Andre Deladrier, Czaba Elthes and Edwin Purdy, George Worth and Daniel Bukantz made tremendous contributions.

Secondly, asked to telescope the results into one sentence, I would say: "We did not do as well as we'd hoped, but we did better than expected."

Thirdly, we make no excuses. True, we should have gone further in most events and we could point at near misses and tough breaks—but we won't because it doesn't help and we don't need to. There is no doubt in my mind we would have won more medals if we had more experience in major European international tournaments. In some instances our team was so good that we were able to beat European teams with greater international experience than ours, but in most cases where we lost it was due in major part to the greater experience of our opponents. It's that simple. We had all the necessary training, technique, stamina and strategy. We lacked recent top-notch experience. The record will bear this out.

Albert Axelrod's bronze medal was a wonderful start for our team. It gave us all a tremendous lift. The Italian team which beat us in the quarter final went on to finish second. We were not able to use Axelrod in that match because he had torn a thigh muscle.

In both the team and individual events our girls were disappointing. They were unable to match their opponents' ability to "explode" with the attack when the distance was right.

Our epee team lost to Great Britain which placed second. We won five bouts and the margin of victory was due to the Britishers' ability to make sudden, well-timed attacks which surprised our men into late stop-thrusts.

Our sabre contingent turned in the best performance of all. Morocco, Germany and

Austria were beaten in that order. This put us into the semi-final with Russia, which boasted the 1958 and 1959 World Champions (Rylskiy and Tyschler) as well as two young but thoroughly seasoned sabremen (Cherepovsky and Asatiani). We won by two touches—8 all in bouts, 65-67 in touches. You can readily see that every touch was as vital as every bout and if Nyilas had not won all his four bouts, or if Dasaro had not beaten Rylskiy 5-0, we would not have gone into the final.

In the final we had to beat Poland in order to face Hungary for first place. Unfortunately we were not able to sustain our high level and were beaten while Hungary turned back Italy. We had a close match for third with the Italians (9/6) and I repeat that with more and recent top-notch international experience we would have taken the bronze medals—at least—and mark my words, we will from now on. I quiver with anticipation when I think how well we will do next time—for now it is clear that our fencers **must** have the opportunity to compete in many international tournaments in Europe—at least twice a year!

Overall we've moved up a step since 1958. Russia continued to dominate the fencing with three gold medals, followed by Italy, Hungary, Germany, Great Britain, Poland and the U.S.A. Behind us were Romania, France, Belgium and a host of others. We'll move up steadily, but only if we send our fencers to compete regularly in major international events.

## A Manager's Thanks

Now that the 1960 Games are just a pleasant memory I would like to express my thanks to each and every member of the Team for the splendid cooperation which made my duties as manager so much easier to fulfill.

To the first-timers, congratulations. They lived up to the trust placed upon them by the selection committee and the captain. As for the old-timers, well done!

The Team earned the respect of all our opponents. Many of the members will go on to even better accomplishments in future Games—to them good luck and Godspeed.

George V. Worth

## SIDELIGHTS OF THE FENCING EVENTS

At the Opening Ceremonies of the XVII Olympiad, the flag-bearers of six countries were fencers: Carl Schwende of Canada, Emilio Echeverri of Colombia, Christian D'Oriole of France, Pilar Roldan of Mexico, Gilbert Orenge of Monaco, and Edoardo Mangiarotti of Italy.

By custom, most countries choose for their flagbearer the senior athlete from the point of view of previous Olympic performance. Two fencers, Tibor Nyilas and George Worth, veterans of the 1948, 1952 and 1956 Games, were in line for this honor in the United States on the basis of seniority. The U.S. Olympic Committee, however, named Rafe Johnson, who later won the decathlon, to carry the U.S. flag.

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At the Extraordinary Congress on August 28 the rules were amended to provide for a fence-off of a single bout in the event of a tie in bouts and touches between two teams in a direct-elimination match. Perfect team ties occurred three times: between Germany and France in men's foil, between Poland and the United States in women's foil, and between Belgium and Poland in epee, but only the first had to be fenced off under the new rules. The other two occurred in matches within a pool of three teams, and were scored as half-match victories. Poland was also involved in another tie in epee, with Luxembourg, erroneously reported as one requiring a fence-off; but on a recount by the Bout Committee, Luxembourg was found to be the winner by one touch. Fortunately Luxembourg had won the unnecessary extra bout.

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Americans as usual excelled as presidents of jury and judges. George Worth and Danny Bukantz presided at the foil team finals, Ralph Goldstein at the individual epee finals, and Allan Kwartler at the individual sabre finals. Tibor Nyilas and Dick Dyer also saw service in other rounds.

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For the first time in history, the Directoire Technique included a Soviet member — Anatoly Golanitsky, secretary-general of the U.S.S.R. fencing committee. One of the two Italian members, Giancarlo Brusati, once fenced an exhibition epee bout with Jose de Capriles around second base in Yankee Stadium.

The coach of Japan's team in Rome was Torao Mori of Los Angeles.

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Rene Mercier, the universally liked and respected Frenchman, was elected chairman of the Directoire Technique. Curiously enough, the three most violent protests were filed by the fiery French captain, Rene Levy. First, he complained about the seeding of the French foil team; this protest went to the Jury of Appeal and the decision of the Directoire Technique was unanimously upheld. However, the protest delayed the start of the direct-elimination matches until nearly 10 p.m. and contributed to the elimination of the U.S. foil team early the next morning by a fresh, seeded Italian team that had received a bye.

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A second French protest followed the unexpected defeat by Switzerland in the epee team. The French captain demanded cancellation of the result because the Italian president of the jury was not on the approved F.I.E. list. The protest was overruled because it was not made at the start of the match.

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A third protest demanded censure of a top scabreman who had lost his last bout in a qualifying round and thereby shut off the possibility that a Frenchman might qualify on a barrage. The protest was overruled upon testimony of the president of the jury that in his opinion the bout had been fought normally. (The same sabreman in the next round dropped his last bout to a Frenchman, who thereby qualified; but this time Mr. Levy did not protest or mention the Olympic oath).

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Protests, and the ensuing delay in competition, were effectively used by Italy and the Soviet Union to cool off a "hot" opponent in the epee team events. Hard pressed by Portugal, Italy questioned the "lighting stroke" of a Portuguese epee, which upon re-testing was found to be less than required by the rules. The Italians then demanded a recheck of all the Portuguese weapons. The request was denied because the lighting stroke could be checked at the beginning of each bout, when the resistance of the point was tested, but the decision on consumed about half an hour's time. A similar technical protest against Lebanon was made by the U.S.S.R. when it was behind 7-2.



The sharp discernment of Edoardo Mangiacrotti, Italian captain, in spotting the basis for a tenable claim recalled to veteran observers the classic protest of another Olympic Champion, Giancarlo Cornaggia, in the individual epee at Berlin in 1936. Cornaggia had an amazing judgement of distance and probably the most precise stop-thrust ever developed. In an important bout in the quarter-final round (then fought for three touches), Cornaggia shook his head when the apparatus registered a double touch on the first hit. On the next action, again a double touch was registered. Cornaggia stopped, removed his mask, and categorically stated that his opponent's blade was too long. Measurement showed that the blade in question was about half an inch longer than the maximum permitted by he rules.

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The champion Italian epee team in its crucial matches fielded Pellegrino and the last three Olympic individual champions: Mangiarotti (1952), Pavesi (1956), and Delfino (1960). Asked what he was doing in that company, Pellegrino replied: "Well, I am the youngest of the four; my turn will come in 1964." It was Pellegrino who won the last bout of the Italian-British match for the gold medals; he beat Jay 5-0.

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Delfino probably broke all records for overtime epee bouts in the individual and team epee events. Usually time ran out with no score or 1-1, and Delfino then played leisurely for the deciding touch. However, in the Italy-U.S.S.R. match, Delfino was behind 4-1 against Tchernikov with 13 seconds left. To everyone's amazement, Delfino proceeded to force his opponent back and to score three times within 12 seconds, and then won the overtime bout over a thoroughly demoralized opponent.

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The lone representatives of Canada and Panama suffered serious leg injuries that cut short their fencing activities. Carl Schwende, entered in all three weapons, fenced in foil but had to drop out of epee and sabre when he pulled a muscle while warming up for the epee. Estela Espino de Saurer broke an ankle in a training session and came to the Palazzo dei Congressi on crutches to watch the competitions.

M. de C.

## Some Dull and Random Thoughts About Some Sharp and Precise Points

(Ed. Note: This poem was written to Harold Goldsmith by the president of his firm. Although Mr. O'Toole has never seen a fencing match we were impressed with his Byronian way of saying good luck.)

To fence you must foil an opponent's game  
And thus, perhaps, enrage him.  
So be sure that you have spoiled his aim,  
Before you close engage him.

Cow ranchers long opposed "Le Fence,"  
To stop sheepmen from a-herderin!  
But this soon led to violence  
And some a-shootin' and a-murderin'.

Lawyers fence in their defense  
Of clients, who pay or don't pay.  
But why seek relief in a legal sense,  
When one can use the epee?

They called you "dour" in Chi one time,  
And surely they will rue it.  
As to Olympic peaks you climb,  
(Subconsciously, they knew it.)

So go now, Hal, for the medal bright  
We know that you will win it.  
And we back here will loudly cheer  
As on your chest you pin it!

Edward O'Toole

## Southwest Championships

The 1960 Sectional Championships were held at Texas City, Texas. Results were as follows:

**Women:** 1. Mozelle Hampton, Gulf Coast (5/0); 2. Helen Gray, North Texas (3/2, 14 t.r.); 3. Char Cunningham, North Texas (3/2, 18 t.r.); 4. Barbara Berry, Gulf Coast (3/2, 20 t.r.)

**Foil:** 1. Thomas Bickley, North Texas (6/0); 2. Desi Trevino, Gulf Coast (5/2, 15 t.r.); 3. Fred Sklar, Gulf Coast (4/2, 19 t.r.); 4. Fred Schmidt, North Texas (4/2, 20 t.r.).

**Epee:** 1. Fred Sklar, Gulf Coast (3/1); 2. James Monroe, Gulf Coast (3/1); 3. Larry Weaver, Gulf Coast (2/2). Fence-off: Sklar d. Monroe 4-5.

**Sabre:** 1. Desi Trevino, Gulf Coast; 2. Tom Bickley, North Texas; 3. Fred Sklar, Gulf Coast (Ed. Note: No scores received).

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## OCTOBER

- 21—N. Calif.—Epee Unclass. SFSF 8 PM \$1.00  
S. Calif.—Foil 'C' LHS 7:45 PM \$2.00
- 22—Met.—Women's 'C' Performing Arts 9:30 AM \$2.75
- 23—Met.—Epee 'C' New York AC 10 AM \$2.75
- 28—N. Calif.—Women III (Standard) LAH 8 PM \$1.00  
S. Calif.—Foil Team 'C' ERPG 7:45 PM \$6.00
- 29—Met.—Sabre 'C' Columbia 9:30 AM \$1.75
- 30—Met.—Women's Invitation. No Foul. Performing Arts 1 PM  
Met.—Foil 'B' Performing Arts 9:30 AM \$2.75  
N. Calif.—Foil III (Standard) LAH 2 PM \$1.00

## NOVEMBER

- 4—N. Calif.—Sabre III LAH 8 PM \$1.00  
S. Calif.—Foil. No foul, semi score to finals. LHS 7:45 PM \$2.50  
S. Calif.—Women's Team Unclass. (Standard) LHS 7:45 PM \$4.50
- 5—Met.—Foil 'C' Performing Arts 9:30 AM \$2.75
- 6—Met.—Sabre 'B' New York AC 10:00 AM \$2.75  
N. Calif.—Women's Handicap (Standard) LAH 2 PM \$1.00  
S. Calif.—Mixed Doubles (Men: epee-sabre; Women's foil) FSF 1 PM \$1.50
- 11—S. Calif.—Epee 'C' LHS 7:45 PM \$2.00
- 12—Cent. Fla.—Sabre & Epee. Closed. Orlando 1 PM \$1.50 each  
Met.—Women's Open Performing Arts 9:30 AM \$2.75  
N. Calif.—Epee III PAC 2 PM \$1.00
- 13—Met.—Epee 'B' New York AC 10 AM \$2.75  
N. Calif.—Foil & Women Unclass. (Standard) LAH 2 PM \$1.00
- 18—S. Calif.—Women 'C' LHS 7:45 PM \$2.00  
S. Calif.—Epee Team 'C' LHS 7:45 PM \$6.00
- 19—Met.—Sabre Team New York AC 12 Noon \$7.00  
N. Calif.—Sabre 'B' LAH 2 PM \$1.50
- 20—Met.—Foil Team 'C' Performing Arts 9:30 AM \$8.25  
Met.—Foil (Invitation Only). No Foul. Performing Arts 1 PM
- 26—Met.—Women's Team 'C' Performing Arts 9:30 AM \$8.25  
Met.—Foil Prep. Saltus 2:30 PM \$1.25
- 27—Met.—Epee Team New York AC 10 AM \$11.00

## DECEMBER

- 2—S. Calif.—Epee. Semi scores to final. LHS 7:45 PM \$2.50
- 3—Cent. Fla.—Foil Team St. Pete Y 1 PM \$6.00  
Met.—Foil Team Performing Arts 9:30 AM \$11.00  
N. Calif.—Epee 'B' LAH 2 PM \$1.50
- 4—Met.—Sabre Team 'C' New York AC 10 AM \$5.25  
S. Calif.—Women's Team. Composite. LHS 1 PM \$6.00
- 10—Met.—Women's Team Performing Arts 9:30 AM \$11.00
- 11—Met.—Epee Team 'C' New York AC 10 AM \$8.25
- 16—S. Calif.—Women. No Foul. Semi scores to final. LHS 7:45 PM \$2.50  
S. Calif.—Sabre Team 'C' LHS 7:45 PM \$6.00
- 17—Met.—3 Weapon Ind. Performing Arts 9:30 AM \$4.00  
N. Calif.—Women's Team 'B' PAC 10 AM \$1.50  
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